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ROMARE BEARDEN LECTURE

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THE DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN ARTIST ROMARE (ROAM-AIR) BEARDEN WILL SPEAK AT THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13. FOLLOWING A HALF-HOUR FILM ON HIS LIFE AND CAREER, SHOWN AT 4:00 PM, BEARDEN WILL DISCUSS HIS WORK.

BEARDEN, WHO WAS BORN IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1914 AND GREW UP IN PITTSBURGH AND HARLEM, HAS BEEN PAINTING SINCE THE 1930s. DURING THE LAST TWENTY YEARS HE HAS WON CRITICAL ACCLAIM FOR HIS BRILLIANTLY COLORED COLLAGES. USING PAPER, PASTE, PAINT, AND FABRIC, HE DEPICTS THE PEOPLE AND EVENTS OF HIS CHILDHOOD IN THE RURAL SOUTH AND THE HARLEM OF HIS YOUTH, PARTICULARLY THE JAZZ MUSICIANS WHO HAVE INSPIRED MUCH OF HIS WORK.

MAJOR MUSEUMS, INCLUDING NEW YORK'S MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, HAVE EXHIBITED AND COLLECTED HIS PAINTINGS AND COLLAGES.

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART INVITES YOU TO HEAR ROMARE (ROAM-AIR) BEARDEN ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, AT 4:00 PM. THE FREE PROGRAM WILL CONCLUDE WITH A RECEPTION FOR THE ARTIST TO WHICH THE PUBLIC IS INVITED.

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